

371. Also, a memorial of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Virginia, relative to House Joint Resolution No. 71 memorializing the Congress of the United States to propose an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to allow for voluntary school prayer; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

372. Also, a memorial of the Legislature of the State of Kansas, relative to House Concurrent Resolution No. 5059 memorializing the Congress of the United States to propose submission to the states an amendment to the Constitution of the United States of America restricting the ability of the federal judiciary to mandate any state or subdivision thereof to levy or increase taxes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

373. Also, a memorial of the Legislature of the State of Alaska, relative to Legislative Resolve No. 36 requesting Exxon Mobil Corporation to pay claimants for court-ordered damages resulting from the Exxon Valdez oil spill; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

374. Also, a memorial of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Virginia, relative to House Joint Resolution No. 103 memorializing the Congress of the United States to provide federal funding for expansion of certain highway rest stops; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

375. Also, a memorial of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Virginia, relative to House Joint Resolution No. 284 memorializing the Congress of the United States to amend that portion of the Trade Act of 1974 establishing the North American Free Trade Agreement Transitional Adjustment Assistance Program to extend the maximum time period for receipt of benefits from 52 weeks to 78 weeks; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

376. Also, a memorial of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Virginia, relative to House Joint Resolution No. 283 memorializing the Congress of the United States to enhance the benefits for individuals eligible for North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) transitional adjustment assistance; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

377. Also, a memorial of the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, relative to Resolutions urging the Congress to enact legislation to increase the per capita allocation of private activity bonds from 50 to 75 dollars and the housing tax credit cap from \$1.25 to \$1.75; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

378. Also, a memorial of the Senate of the State of Michigan, relative to Senate Resolution No. 158 memorializing the Congress of the United States regarding voluntary, individual, unorganized, and non-mandatory prayer in public schools; jointly to the Committees on Education and the Workforce and the Judiciary.

379. Also, a memorial of the Senate of the State of Hawaii, relative to Senate Resolution No. 28 memorializing the United States Congress to support legislation to extend medicare coverage to prescription drugs for the elderly and disabled; jointly to the Committees on Ways and Means and Commerce.

380. Also, a memorial of the Senate of the State of Hawaii, relative to Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 73 memorializing the United States Congress to support legislation to extend medicare coverage to prescription drugs for the elderly and disabled; jointly to the Committees on Ways and Means and Commerce.

381. Also, a memorial of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Virginia, relative to House Resolution No. 6 memorializing the President of the United States and the Congress to work together to reform

the financial structure of the Coal Industry Retiree Health Benefit Act; jointly to the Committees on Ways and Means and Education and the Workforce.

382. Also, a memorial of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Virginia, relative to House Joint Resolution No. 168 memorializing the Congress of the United States to protect senior assets from liquidation to meet eligibility requirements for federal medical and long-term care benefits; jointly to the Committees on Ways and Means and Commerce.

383. Also, a memorial of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Virginia, relative to Senate Joint Resolution No. 163 memorializing the Congress of the United States to protect senior assets from liquidation to meet the eligibility requirements for federal medical and long-term care benefits; jointly to the Committees on Ways and Means and Commerce.

384. Also, a memorial of the Senate of the State of Louisiana, relative to Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 7 memorializing the Congress of the United States to adopt a program which will provide prescription drug coverage to Medicare beneficiaries; jointly to the Committees on Ways and Means and Commerce.

385. Also, a memorial of the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, relative to House Resolution No. 374 memorializing the President and the Congress of the United States to work together to reform the financial structure of the Coal Act to ensure that retired coal miners continue to receive the health care benefits they were promised and rightly deserve; jointly to the Committees on Ways and Means and Education and the Workforce.

PRIVATE BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 3 of rule XII,

Mrs. KELLY introduced a bill (H.R. 4809) for the relief of Thomas J. Sansone, Jr.; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

Under clause 7 of rule XII, sponsors were added to public bills and resolutions as follows:

H.R. 59: Mr. KOLBE and Mr. LOBIONDO.
H.R. 123: Mr. JONES of North Carolina and Mr. HULSHOF.
H.R. 141: Mr. PAYNE, Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California, and Mr. ROTHMAN.
H.R. 148: Mr. SCARBOROUGH.
H.R. 175: Mr. EDWARDS.
H.R. 531: Mr. PASTOR.
H.R. 534: Mrs. MORELLA and Mr. PETERSON of Minnesota.
H.R. 755: Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California.
H.R. 870: Mr. COOK.
H.R. 1102: Mr. GALLEGLY.
H.R. 1129: Mr. HOLT.
H.R. 1217: Mr. DEAL of Georgia.
H.R. 1229: Mr. MASCARA.
H.R. 1248: Mr. HOLDEN.
H.R. 1275: Mr. JACKSON of Illinois, Mr. BRADY of Pennsylvania, Mr. NADLER, Mr. LAHOOD, Mr. UPTON, Mr. CHABOT, Ms. LOFGREN, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. BLAGOJEVICH, and Mr. BILIRAKIS.
H.R. 1387: Mr. BLUMENAUER.
H.R. 1452: Mr. COSTELLO.
H.R. 1590: Ms. MCKINNEY.
H.R. 1595: Mr. PAYNE.
H.R. 1621: Ms. MCCARTHY of Missouri and Mr. MOORE.
H.R. 1795: Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. TIERNEY, Mr. CAMPBELL, and Mr. ANDREWS.

H.R. 1824: Mr. FLETCHER.
H.R. 1837: Mr. BORSKI.
H.R. 1885: Mr. VISCLOSKY.
H.R. 2121: Mr. BALDACCI, Ms. VALAZQUEZ, and Ms. MCCARTHY of Missouri.
H.R. 2129: Mr. BORSKI, Mr. HEFLEY, Mr. MCCRERY, Mr. TANCREDO, Mr. HILL of Montana, Mr. SCARBOROUGH, Mr. PETRI, Mrs. EMERSON, Mr. GRAHAM, and Mr. DUNCAN.
H.R. 2308: Mr. BLAGOJEVICH.
H.R. 2341: Mr. WALSH, Mr. ENGEL, Mr. LAMPSON, and Mr. SERRANO.
H.R. 2362: Mr. DAVIS of Virginia.
H.R. 2594: Mr. FILNER and Ms. CARSON.
H.R. 2702: Mr. RANGEL.
H.R. 2870: Mr. HOLT.
H.R. 2906: Mr. SCHAEFFER and Mr. EVANS.
H.R. 3003: Mr. COYNE.
H.R. 3082: Mr. HOBSON.
H.R. 3091: Mr. ORTIZ.
H.R. 3100: Mr. HOBSON.
H.R. 3180: Ms. LEE.
H.R. 3192: Mr. MALONEY of Connecticut and Ms. KILPATRICK.
H.R. 3195: Mrs. CHRISTENSEN.
H.R. 3225: Mr. DUNCAN.
H.R. 3301: Mr. POMBO.
H.R. 3303: Mr. PETERSON of Minnesota.
H.R. 3327: Mr. RADANOVICH.
H.R. 3433: Mr. TOWNS, Mr. SANDERS, and Mr. GALLEGLY.
H.R. 3514: Mr. MALONEY of Connecticut, Mr. ANDREWS, and Mr. BLAGOJEVICH.
H.R. 3570: Mr. MCGOVERN.
H.R. 3580: Mr. PAYNE, Mr. WICKER, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. CAMPBELL, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. WATT of North Carolina, and Mr. ETHERIDGE.
H.R. 3625: Mr. COSTELLO, Mr. MCINTYRE, Mr. PHELPS, and Ms. PRYCE of Ohio.
H.R. 3650: Ms. LEE.
H.R. 3667: Mr. MEEHAN.
H.R. 3676: Mr. GONZALEZ, Mr. DEMINT, Ms. SANCHEZ, Mr. BOYD, Mr. BACA Ms. WOOLSEY, Mrs. NORTHUP, Mr. ENGLISH, Mr. SNYDER, Mr. JENKINS, Mr. WELDON of Pennsylvania, Mr. LAHOOD, and Mr. MCHUGH.
H.R. 3677: Mr. WALSH.
H.R. 3698: Mr. LAMPSON, Mr. STRICKLAND, Mr. HINOJOSA, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. PICKERING, Mr. WICKER, and Mr. SHERWOOD.
H.R. 3826: Mr. PAYNE.
H.R. 3842: Mr. ENGEL, Mr. RODRIGUEZ, Mr. DOOLEY of California, Ms. HOOLEY of Oregon, Mr. ROGERS, Mr. CAPUANO, Mr. WYNN, and Mr. ROTHMAN.
H.R. 3875: Mr. RAMSTAD.
H.R. 3896: Mr. LOBIONDO.
H.R. 3915: Mr. PITTS, Mr. BAKER, Mr. BAIRD, Mr. HOBSON, and Mr. MOAKLEY.
H.R. 4004: Mr. CLEMENT, Mr. KENNEDY of Rhode Island, and Mr. BARRETT of Wisconsin.
H.R. 4011: Ms. SCHAKOWSKY.
H.R. 4049: Mr. RYAN of Wisconsin.
H.R. 4057: Ms. WATERS, Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts, Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, Mr. GUTIERREZ, Mrs. MALONEY of New York, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. KILDEE, Mr. GEJDENSON, Mr. LAFALCE, and Mr. SPENCE.
H.R. 4077: Mrs. MYRICK.
H.R. 4082: Mr. CLEMENT.
H.R. 4094: Mr. EDWARDS, Mr. WISE, Mr. STUPAK, Mr. HILLIARD, Mr. LUCAS of Kentucky, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. UNDERWOOD, Mr. HILL of Indiana, Mr. BERRY, Mr. WATT of North Carolina, and Mr. LATOURETTE.
H.R. 4106: Mrs. EMERSON.
H.R. 4113: Mr. BAKER, Mr. TANCREDO, Mr. KOLBE, Mr. RYUN of Kansas, and Mr. PITTS.
H.R. 4143: Mr. WATT of North Carolina.
H.R. 4157: Ms. SANCHEZ.
H.R. 4167: Ms. DANNER, Mr. FATTAH, Mr. PAYNE, Mrs. MEEK of Florida, and Ms. BROWN of Florida.
H.R. 4207: Ms. MILLENDER-MCDONALD and Mr. UDALL of New Mexico.
H.R. 4215: Mr. GOODE.
H.R. 4239: Mr. MEEHAN, Mr. ENGEL, and Mr. HINCHEY.

H.R. 4259: Mr. DIAZ-BALART.
H.R. 4277: Mr. JONES of North Carolina and Mr. DEUTSCH.
H.R. 4278: Mr. PALLONE.
H.R. 4328: Mr. WATTS of Oklahoma and Mr. HOBSON.
H.R. 4359: Ms. MCKINNEY and Mr. RANGEL.
H.R. 4366: Mr. HINCHEY, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Mr. PAYNE, Mr. DEFAZIO, Mr. SAXTON, Mr. JOHN, Mr. COOK, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. PASCRELL, and Mr. FILNER.
H.R. 4384: Mr. BONILLA, Mr. SHAYS, Mr. BONIOR, Mr. KINGSTON, Mr. MINGE, and Mr. BACA.
H.R. 4393: Mrs. TAUSCHER.
H.R. 4441: Mr. CUMMINGS.
H.R. 4481: Mr. MOLLOHAN and Mr. KIND.
H.R. 4483: Mr. BRADY of Pennsylvania.
H.R. 4495: Mr. CANADY of Florida, Mr. HINCHEY, Mrs. MORELLA, Mr. ROMERO-BARCELO, and Mr. WAMP.
H.R. 4502: Mr. CANADY of Florida, Mr. OSE, Mr. FLETCHER, Mr. SMITH of Michigan, and Mr. SCHAFER.
H.R. 4511: Mr. BUYER, Mr. CANADY of Florida, Mr. DUNCAN, Mr. TAUZIN, Mr. FLETCHER, Mr. ISAKSON, and Mr. WATKINS.
H.R. 4539: Mr. KENNEDY of Rhode Island, Mr. ROMERO-BARCELO, Mr. EVANS, Mr. STENHOLM, Mr. SANDERS, and Ms. CARSON.
H.R. 4550: Mr. BISHOP.
H.R. 4560: Mr. HASTINGS of Washington.
H.R. 4565: Mr. BOYD, Mr. HYDE, Mr. WALDEN of Oregon, and Mr. EHLERS.
H.R. 4571: Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts, Mr. DEUTSCH, Mr. WEXLER, Ms. BERKLEY, Mr. FORBES, Mr. GILMAN, and Mr. FOLEY.
H.R. 4593: Ms. KAPTUR and Mr. WATT of North Carolina.
H.R. 4652: Mr. KLECZKA, Mr. GOODLING, and Mr. PASTOR.
H.R. 4654: Mr. ROGAN and Mr. HOSTETTLER.
H.R. 4655: Mr. BARRETT of Wisconsin.
H.R. 4659: Mr. BARTLETT of Maryland, Mr. WOLF, Mrs. WILSON, Mr. RUSH, and Mrs. ROUKEMA.
H.R. 4660: Mr. REYES.
H.R. 4669: Mr. CAMP.
H.R. 4675: Ms. KAPTUR and Mr. WATT of North Carolina.
H.R. 4677: Mr. OBERSTAR.
H.R. 4712: Mrs. CUBIN.
H.R. 4719: Mr. CARDIN and Mr. CUNNINGHAM.
H.R. 4734: Mr. ROMERO-BARCELO.
H.R. 4739: Ms. NORTON.
H.R. 4750: Mrs. BONO, Mrs. KELLY, and Mr. RAMSTAD.
H.R. 4759: Mr. WELDON of Florida, Mr. JENKINS, and Mr. HANSEN.
H.R. 4770: Mr. BORSKI.
H.R. 4776: Mr. RILEY, Mr. WHITFIELD, and Mr. JONES of North Carolina.
H.J. Res. 102: Mr. OWENS, Ms. LEE, Mr. TIERNEY, Ms. MILLENDER-MCDONALD, Ms. NORTON, Mrs. JONES of Ohio, Mr. CLAY, Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi, Mr. FATTAH, Ms. CARSON, Mrs. CHRISTENSEN, Mr. TOWNS, Mr. JEFFERSON, Mr. CUMMINGS, Mr. DAVIS of Illinois, Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas, Ms. MCKINNEY, Mr. MEEKS of New York, Mr. WYNN, Mr. SHAYS, Ms. BROWN of Florida, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. MICA, Mr. QUINN, Mrs. FOWLER, Mr. GIBBONS, Mr. GILCREST, Mr. PETRI, Mr. LARGENT, Mr. TAUZIN, Mr. HERGER, Mr. GANSKE, Mr. HOBSON, Mr. HILL of Montana, and Mr. THOMAS.
H. Con. Res. 74: Ms. BALDWIN.
H. Con. Res. 177: Mr. MINGE.
H. Con. Res. 319: Mr. BEREUTER.
H. Con. Res. 321: Mr. DEFAZIO, Mr. NUSSLE, Mr. GIBBONS, and Mr. BALDACCII.
H. Con. Res. 340: Mr. BONIOR.
H. Con. Res. 357: Mr. BLUNT.
H. Con. Res. 363: Ms. GRANGER.
H. Res. 536: Mr. BONIOR.
H. Res. 537: Ms. MCCARTHY of Missouri, Mr. TANNER, Mr. LATOURETTE, and Mr. NEAL of Massachusetts.

DISCHARGE PETITIONS— ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS

The following Members added their names to the following discharge petitions:

Petition 11 by Ms. SLAUGHTER on House Resolution 520: Chaka Fattah, Robert A. Brady, Bill Pascrell, Jr., David D. Phelps, Ed Pastor, Jesse L. Jackson, Jr., Robert Wexler, Lucille Roybal-Allard, Albert Russell Wynn, Stephanie Tubbs-Jones, Peter Deutsch, David Wu, James E. Clyburn, Charles B. Rangel, Norman Sisisky, and Bart Stupak.

AMENDMENTS

Under clause 8 of rule XVIII, proposed amendments were submitted as follows:

H.R. 1304

OFFERED BY: MR. STEARNS

AMENDMENT NO. 2: Page 3, line 17, insert before the period the following: “, but only if such health care professionals have received prior approval for such negotiations from the Federal Trade Commission or the Assistant Attorney General pursuant to subsection (i).”.

Page 6, after line 21, insert the following new subsection (and redesignate the succeeding subsection accordingly):

(i) PRIOR APPROVAL.—

(I) IN GENERAL.—Health care professionals who seek to engage in negotiations with a health plan as provided in subsection (a) must obtain approval from the Commission or the Assistant Attorney General prior to commencing such negotiations. The Commission or the Assistant Attorney General shall grant such approval if the Commission or Assistant Attorney General has determined that recognition under subsection (a) of the group of health care professionals for the purpose of engaging in collective negotiations with the health plan will promote competition and enhance the quality of patient care. The approval that is granted under this subsection may be limited in time or scope to ensure that these criteria are met. The Commission and the Assistant Attorney General shall make a determination regarding a request for approval under this paragraph within 30 days after the date it is received, if the request contains the information specified in regulations issued under paragraph (2). Failure by the Commission or Assistant Attorney General to make such determination within such 30-day period will be deemed to be an approval of the request by the Commission or the Assistant Attorney General.

(2) REGULATIONS.—The Commission, in consultation with the Assistant Attorney General, shall publish regulations implementing this subsection within six months of the effective date of this Act. Such regulations shall include the following:

(A) A description of the information that must be submitted by health care professionals who seek to obtain approval to engage in collective negotiations.

(B) Provisions for the opportunity for the public to submit comments to the Commission or the Assistant Attorney General for consideration in reviewing any request for approval by health care professionals to engage in collective negotiations under this section.

(C) Provision for a filing fee in an amount reasonable and necessary to cover the costs of the Commission and the Assistant Attorney General to implement this subsection. On an annual basis, this fee shall be updated to reflect any increases or decreases determined to be necessary to cover such costs.

(3) COORDINATION.—The Commission and the Assistant Attorney General shall coordinate so that an application is reviewed under this subsection by either the Commission or the Assistant Attorney General, but not both.

(4) EXEMPTION FOR SMALL GROUPS.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other provision of this subsection (other than subparagraph (B)), no prior approval is required under this subsection in the case of a group of health care professionals who are acting collectively with respect to a negotiation if such group constitutes less than 20 percent of the health care professionals in a specialty (or subspecialty) in the market area involved, as determined under regulations of the Commission.

(B) OVERSIGHT.—The Commission shall establish a process under which, if it receives a bona fide request that alleges that the negotiations of a group described in subparagraph (A) has not promoted competition or has not enhanced the quality of patient care, the Commission will review the request and may take such action as the Commission determines to be appropriate. Such action may include ordering that the results of the negotiations be vitiated and that the exemption under subparagraph (A) not apply to such group for such period as the Commission may specify.

Page 8, after line 8, insert the following:

(4) COMMISSION.—The term “Commission” means the Federal Trade Commission.

(5) ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL.—The term “Assistant Attorney General” means the Assistant Attorney General in charge of the Antitrust Division of the Department of Justice.

H.R. 4461

OFFERED BY: MR. BERRY

AMENDMENT NO. 66: On page 31, line 14, strike “\$693,000”; and on page 36, line 13, strike “\$41,015,000” and replace with “\$41,708,000”.

H.R. 4461

OFFERED BY: MR. BURTON OF INDIANA

AMENDMENT NO. 67: Insert before the short title the following title:

TITLE IX—ADDITIONAL GENERAL PROVISIONS

SEC. 901. None of the funds made available in the Act may be expended for vaccine-related Federal advisory committees (Vaccines and Related Biological Products Advisory Committee, Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices, and the National Vaccine Advisory Committee) that grant waivers on applicable conflicts of interest rules pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act and sections 202 through 209 of title 18, United States Code, and regulations issued thereunder.

H.R. 4461

OFFERED BY: MR. BURTON OF INDIANA

AMENDMENT NO. 68: Insert before the short title the following title:

TITLE IX—ADDITIONAL GENERAL PROVISIONS

SEC. 901. None of the funds made available in this Act may be expended for a vaccine-related Federal advisory committee (Vaccines and Related Biological Products Advisory Committee) that grants a waiver on applicable conflicts of interest rules pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act and sections 202 through 209 of title 18, United States Code, and regulations issued thereunder.

H.R. 4461

OFFERED BY: MR. COBURN

AMENDMENT NO. 69: Insert before the short title the following title: